

Global private equity report 2026

Asia Pacific insights

Our 2026 global private equity report draws on insights from over 800 leaders worldwide. Explore our APAC preview, highlighting regional sentiment and opportunities as investors across the region navigate today's conditions.

Sentiment among PE firms worldwide shows steady confidence, with the majority expecting market conditions to support portfolio growth in the year ahead. Fundraising momentum remains strong, with most managers currently raising a new fund, or planning to do so, within the next 12 months.

External forces shaping decisions

Market evolution, geopolitical uncertainty and tariff changes continue to be the most significant external pressures for PE firms globally.

These dynamics are reshaping risk assessments, influencing transaction strategies and prompting investors to strengthen resilience across their portfolios.

Financing challenges are increasing

6 in 10

PE firms globally say financing difficulties are delaying exits, with more than half report similar pressures on build-up plans and prompting many to reassess capital structures and transaction timing.

Leading markets for APAC investors

46%
Singapore

49%
Hong Kong &
South Korea

56%
China

Global private equity conditions show stable fund-raising momentum and broadly consistent portfolio performance, with most firms relying on mixed growth drivers and maintaining mid-range returns across markets.

7/10 of PE firms globally use mixed growth drivers (organic / external)

47% of PE firms globally are positive about fundraising conditions

Across Asia Pacific, portfolios show steady performance and balanced return profiles, with firms continuing to rely on a mix of internal expansion and targeted external activity as they navigate varied regional conditions.

62% of APAC exits deliver mid-range IRR

1/3 see market conditions as 'fairly positive' for growth

57% active in venture capital deals

“From the smallest deals to some of the largest, recent months have seen private equity players adapting quickly to invest and raise capital. We see these as the green shoots of a longer-term recovery and a new hope for growth and value.”

Matthieu Boyé
Group Head of Private Equity

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APAC private equity enters 2026 with measured optimism as market conditions evolve. Firms are refining operational discipline and strategic focus amid ongoing uncertainty. Targeted opportunities remain, particularly in resilient sectors and fast-growing markets.



Market outlook in APAC

Sentiment across Asia Pacific remains cautious. As geopolitical factors influence decision-making, less than half of surveyed PE firms expect portfolio growth in the next 12 months.

Simultaneously, fundraising is on the rise, with many managers raising new funds, or planning to do so, within the year.



Sectors positioned for growth

APAC investors are creating value by concentrating on sectors with strong structural growth, particularly in consumer, TMT, life sciences and health.

Interest is also rising in energy, infrastructure, environment and mobility as firms look for resilience and scalable opportunities.

“Both globally and across Asia Pacific, private equity is becoming more disciplined, as deeper due diligence and more resilient deal structures are now essential. Despite financing pressures, strong opportunities remain for investors ready to adapt.”

Najla Belkhoja
APAC Private Equity Leader



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Explore regional profiles, investment trends and performance outlooks to learn how private equity leaders across APAC and beyond are evolving their strategies and portfolios to build long-term resilience and value.